



# CE NEWS

## Alaska State Library Continuing Education Newsletter

### 10 Must-Have Skills for Today's Librarian

Sarah Houghton is the Director of the San Rafael Public Library and author of the [Librarian in Black](#) blog. She is also the featured speaker in an excellent SirsiDynix on-demand webinar, [10 Must-Have Skills for Today's Library Director](#). This hour-long webinar is filled with practical, nitty-gritty advice Sarah learned the hard way during her first year as a library director. During the webinar she shares personal stories that illustrate why she believes each of the ten recommended skills below are so important. At the conclusion of her webinar Sarah offers new librarians two additional pieces of advice, be yourself and never stop learning!

1. Conflict management
2. Familiarize yourself with legal issues
3. Build relationships with partners
4. Facilities management
5. Read a budget
6. Discipline
7. Talking to generations
8. Elevator pitch
9. Emotional distancing
10. How to avoid burn out

#### Webinar Picks

- ◆ [3 Steps to Thriving in Chaos](#)
- ◆ [Public Librarians' Chat: Keeping Your Library Collection Safe From Creepy Crawlies](#)
- ◆ [Beyond Book Sales: Practical Ideas for Raising Funds for Your Library](#)
- ◆ [Minding Your Own Business: Library Services for Businesses and Entrepreneurs](#)

### Events Calendar

June 2015						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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28	29	30				
Upcoming Events:						
<a href="#">How to Run Your Library Like a Startup</a>						
Wed, Jun 3, 2015 9:00am						
<a href="#">Recent developments in library evaluation, statistics and measurement, and why they are important</a>						
Wed, Jun 3, 2015 9:00am						
<a href="#">Fresh Titles for Book Clubs</a>						
Thu, Jun 4, 2015 11:00am						
<a href="#">Show all events</a>						

For all of the upcoming events & webinars visit [Library Development Training & Continuing Education Calendar](#)

### Small Library Institute of Continuing Education

The Alaska State Library is pleased to announce that a Small Library Institute of Continuing Education (SLICE) will be held in Anchorage at the Alaska State Library during the week of September 14-17, 2015.

SLICE is an intensive four-day workshop designed to empower library directors and provide them with the skills necessary to be leaders of change and innovation in their library and community.

SLICE is the second tier of leadership and management training for library directors who have attended the Small Library Institute of Management (SLIM).

Participants will be required to design and implement a library and/or community project to demonstrate and apply the knowledge and leaderships skills they have acquired during the workshop.

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